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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 1/18/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 13-19.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant has amended claims 13, 19 and canceled claims 1-12 in the amendment filed on 1/18/2007.

Claims 13-19 are pending in this Office Action.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Robert A. Voigt on 1/31/2007.

In specification:

On page 4, please replace paragraph 3 with a below paragraph:

Figures 2A-B are a flowchart of a method for restoring previously un-backed up data during a system restore in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention.

On page 8, please replace paragraphs 2-4 with below paragraphs:

As stated in the Background Information section, in the case of files being corrupted due to hardware trouble and malfunctions or accidental infection by a computer virus or a computer worm, the data processing system may be restored to the state of the last backup using the back up files. However, upon restoring the data processing system to the state of the last backup, any files that have been modified since the last backup may not be able to be recovered. Further, it is possible that one of the backed up files unknowingly contained a virus or a worm. Consequently, when the data processing system is restored using the backed up files, the system may still be contaminated and the files may still be corrupted. Therefore, there is a need in the art to be able to recover files that have been modified since the last backup as well as a need in the art to ensure that the restored files do not contain any viruses or worms. A method for recovering files that have been modified since the last backup as well as ensuring that the restored files do not contain any viruses or worms are discussed below in association with Figures 2A-B.

Figures 2A-B - Method for Restoring Previously Un-Backed Up Data During a System Restore.

Figures 2A-B are a flowchart of one embodiment of the present invention of a method 200 for restoring previously un-backed up data during a restore of system 100 (Figure 1). Steps 201-208 of method 200 describe the process of backing up data in partition 108 and steps 209-221 of method 200 describe the process of restoring previously un-backed up data during a restore of system 100.

On page 9, please replace the first paragraph with a below paragraph:

Referring to Figures 2A, in conjunction with Figure 1, in step 201, a determination is made by the alternate operating system in partition 108 as to whether there is a need to update the virus template. That is, the alternate operating system in partition 108 determines if the version of the virus template is outdated and needs to be updated. If so, then, in step 202, the alternate operating system in partition 108 downloads the updated virus template into partition 108.

On page 10, please replace the paragraphs 5 and 7 with below paragraphs:

In step 213, the alternate operating system in partition 108 determines if the virus scan detected any viruses. Referring to Figure 2B, if the virus scan detected any viruses, then, in step 214, the alternate operating system in partition 108 determines if the modified file can be uncorrupted.

Upon destroying the corrupted modified file in step 215 or if the modified file

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did not contain a virus or if the file read in step 210 (Figure 2A) was not modified or upon uncorrupting the modified file that contained a virus in step 216, then, in step 217, the alternate operating system in partition 108 determines if there any more files to be read in the non-locked partitions of disk unit 107. If so, then, in step 210 (Figure 2A), the alternate operating system in partition 108 reads another file located .

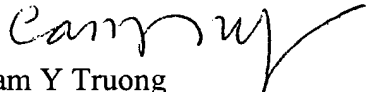
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Contact Information

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cam Y T. Truong whose telephone number is (571) 272-4042. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Breene can be reached on (571) 272-4107. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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